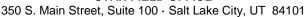


UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 24, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: For another week, the state saw dry and hot conditions stressing water supplies and soil moisture but allowing for 6.9 days of field work, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cache County reports indicated that producers had started harvesting their winter wheat, and realized yields were good. Additionally, spider mites remained a concern in some corn fields; however, warm temperatures and plentiful irrigation water had the crop growing well despite the insect pressure. Both crops and livestock in Beaver County were reported in good condition. Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting harvested was at 75 percent complete by week's end, continuing to be well ahead of the previous year and 5-year average. Early alfalfa hay yields were reportedly good, as was quality. Unfortunately, producers were struggling to find buyers for their crop. Other hay 2nd cutting harvested was over half complete. Corn silking continued to be behind both the previous year and 5-year average at only 17 percent. Barley and winter wheat harvested was at 31 percent and 44 percent complete respectively, ahead of the 5-year average. Spring wheat harvested was at 26 percent complete, is slightly behind the previous year but well ahead of the 5-year average. Harvest of sweet cherries is progressing at 79 percent complete, behind the previous year's 93 percent and the 5-year average at 86 percent. Irrigation and water supply condition was rated at 68 percent good to excellent, compared to 42 percent the previous year. Stock water supplies were reported as 3 percent very short, 24 percent short, 72 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay						
2 nd cutting harvested	75	66	53	60		
3 rd cutting harvested	2	NA	NA	NA		
Apricots						
Harvested	44	34	41	53		
Barley						
Harvested	31	24	50	21		
Corn						
Silking	17	9	27	30		
Oats						
Headed	91	87	91	90		
Harvested	23	3	28	9		
Other hay						
2 nd cutting harvested	57	36	20	NA		
Spring wheat						
Harvested	26	20	27	12		
Sweet Cherries						
Harvested	79	76	93	86		
Tart Cherries						
Harvested	35	30	46	42		
Winter Wheat						
Harvested	44	21	40	35		

NA - not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION					
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average	
Days suitable for field work	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.7	
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Very short	8	7	10	16	
Short	34	34	42	38	
Adequate	56	57	48	46	
Surplus	2	2			
Subsoil moisture					
Very short	7	7	9	14	
Short	35	34	45	38	
Adequate	57	58	46	47	
Surplus	1	1		1	

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION Current week Previous week Previous year 5-year average (percent) (percent) (percent) (percent) Barley Very poor Poor Fair Good..... Excellent..... Corn Very poor Poor Fair Good..... Excellent..... Irrigation water supplies Very poor NA NA Poor..... NA Fair NA Good..... NA Excellent..... Oats Very poor --Fair Good..... Excellent..... Pasture and range Very poor Poor Good..... Excellent.... Spring wheat Very poor Poor Fair Good..... Excellent..... Winter wheat Very poor Poor 2.7 Good..... Excellent.... Cattle and calves Very poor Poor Fair Good..... Excellent.... Sheep and lambs NA Very poor NA Poor..... NA NA Good.....

NA – not available

Excellent.....

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Utah's weather data was not available at time of publication. A link will be provided as soon as data becomes available.

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